

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : MEYER et al.
Serial No. : 10/569,714
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For : TRANSDERMAL FORMULATION COMPRISING AN OPIOID
ANALGESIC AND AN ALOE COMPOSITION
Examiner : Catherine Chen
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Restriction/Election of Species Requirement mailed on 16 October 2006, the applicants elect the following species **with traverse**, for search purposes:

Patch: **matrix type patch**
Adhesive: **synthetic rubber**
Rubber adhesive: **styrene-butadiene-styrene-block-copolymer**
Polyacrylate: **polybutylacrylate**
Penetration agent: **N-methyl-pyrrolidone**
Preservative: **organic acids**
Backing material: **polyester**

As all of the claims are ultimately dependent upon claim 1, each of the elected species are considered to be encompassed by the pending claims, i.e. claims 1-22.